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Daniela Bemme

Diving

Senior - RS

Leipzig, Germany

(Sportgymnasium Leipzig)

2003-04 Season: Qualified at the 2004 Zone E Diving Championships in 10-meter platform diving for the NCAA Championships... Fourth in the platform finals at the 2004 Pac-10 Championships. Also placed ninth in the 3-meter prelims and 11th in the 1-meter prelims... Took second place on the 1-meter board (273) against Arizona State... Won the 1-meter competition against Texas (276.37) and took second place on the 3-meter board (275.48)... Against Stanford, came in third on the 1-meter board (248.30) as well as on 3-meter (277.35)... Took second place on the 3-meter (267.375) against Cal... At the 2003 Texas Invitational, finished sixth in the 3-meter competition (440.95) and placed fourth in the 1-meter finals (275.10)... Earned third place on the three meter board (273.23) against UCLA... Placed third in the 1-meter and fourth in the 3-meter events against USC... Against Wisconsin, finished first in the 1-meter competition and second in the 3-meter.





Jenna Gresdal
Freestyle
Sophomore
Huntsville, Ontario, Canada
(Silverthorne HS)

Personal Bests

50 free – 25.93 (LC)
100 free – 57.04 (LC)
200 free – 2:04.30 (LC)
100 Back – 54.67
200 Back – 1:58.38

2003-04 Season: Qualified for the 50 free, 100 back and 200 back at the NCAA Championships... Ranked 30th nationally in the 200 back (1:59.25)... Swam the second leg of the second-place 200-yard medley relay team at 2004 Pac-10 Championships (1:31.39)... Placed fifth in the 50-yard freestyle (23.23) and tallied seven NCAA consideration times at Pac-10s... Part of the winning 200-meter medley relay team against both Arizona State (1:54.68) and Texas (1:33.87)... Posted two first-place victories at Stanford in the 100-yard backstroke (55.67) and in the 200-yard backstroke (1:59.27)... Registered five NCAA consideration times at the 2003 Texas Invitational and one automatic qualifying time in the 400-medley relay (3:40.00).





Ryann Hackett
Freestyle
Sophomore
Boca Raton, Fla.
(Boca Raton HS)

Personal Bests

50 free – 23.37

100 free – 51.2

100 back – 55.39

2003-04 Season: Makes her first appearance at the NCAA Championships as one of four sophomores competing in the meet... Set to compete in the 100 free, 50 free and 100 back at NCAAs... Ranked 40th nationally in the 100 back (55.39)... Finished eighth in the 100y back (55.76) and contributed four NCAA consideration times at the 2004 Pac-10 Championships... Anchored the winning 200y free relay team against Texas... Posted three NCAA consideration times and placed 13th at the 2003 Texas Invitational... Anchor of the second-place 200y medley relay and placed fifth in the 100y back against UCLA ... Second in the 50m (LC) free against USC (27.52) and also took fourth place in the 100m (LC) free (1:00.74).





Jessica Hayes
Freestyle
Junior
Irvine, Calif.
(University HS)

Personal Bests

50 free – 22.91
100 free – 50.60
200 free – 1:48.14
200 IM – 2:01.24
200 back – 1:55.20

2003-04 Season: Qualified to compete in the 200 free, 100 back and 200 back at the NCAA Championships... Took home Pac-10 title in the 200-meter backstroke (1:56.41) and finished fourth in the 100-backstroke (55.13) and fifth in the 200-freestyle (1:47.75)... Ranked fifth nationally in the 200 back (1:55.20), 21st in the 100 free, 28th in the 100 back and 30th in the 200 free... Placed first in both the 200-meter freestyle (2:01.17) and 200-meter backstroke (2:10.51) against Arizona State... Helped Wildcats upset Texas by winning five events, three individually in the 100-yard free (50.88), the 200-yard backstroke (1:58.97) and the 200-yard freestyle (1:50.58)... Swam the first leg of the 200-yard free relay (1:33.87) and anchored the 400-yard MR (3:44.50)... Placed first in the 100-yard freestyle (51.13) at Stanford and the 200-backstroke (2:08.57) at Cal... Finished first in the 200-individual medley (2:04.33) against both Northern Arizona and Missouri... Set five NCAA consideration times during the Texas Invitational, as well as one automatic qualifying time in the 200-yard backstroke (1:56.07)... Earned first place in three events against UCLA, beginning with the 200-yard freestyle (1:48.83), the 100-yard freestyle (50:51) and the 200-yard backstroke (2:00.78)... Dominated the USC Trojans by winning both the 200 freestyle and the 200 backstroke... Led her team to victory over Wisconsin by winning the 200 free (1:48.86) and the 50 free (23.97).





Melissa Johnson
Freestyle/IM
Freshman
Phoenix, Ariz.
(Shadow Mountain HS)

Personal Bests

200 IM – 2:06.2

500 free – 4:45.4

1000 free – 9:49.2

1650 free – 16:25.00

2003-04 Season: Set to compete in the 200, 500 and 1650 free at the NCAA Championships... Posted three NCAA consideration times at the 2004 Pac-10 Championships, anchoring the third-place 800-yard free relay (7:15.51), in the 200 freestyle (1:50.10) and in the 1650 freestyle (16:45.59)... Placed third in the 800-meter (SC) freestyle against Arizona State (8:56.24)... Responsible for two third-place finishes against Texas in the 500-yard freestyle (4:55.94) and the 1650-yard freestyle (17:27.67)... Finished fifth in the 1000-freestyle against UCLA (10:40.35)... Posted a fifth-place finish in the 400-freestyle against USC (4:49.36).





Emily Mason
Butterfly/IM
Junior
Phoenix, Ariz.
(Chaparral High School)

Personal Bests

100 fly – 55.88

200 fly – 1:54.25

400 IM – 4:07.07

2003-04 Season: Qualified to compete in the 500 free, 400 IM and 200 fly at the NCAA Championships... Posted team-best times in five different events... Took home three NCAA automatic qualifying times at the 2004 Pac-10 Championships by placing second in both the 500-yard freestyle (4:40.02) and the 400-IM (4:09.53)... Also placed sixth in the 200-fly (1:56.81) at Pac-10s... Ranked second nationally in the 500 free (4:40.02), fourth in the 400 IM, ninth in the 200 Fly, and 18th in the 200 free... Took first place in three events against Arizona State, starting with the 800-meter freestyle (8:42.75) the 200-meter fly (2:14.15), as well as the 400-meter fly (4:16.79)... Won three events against Texas, with first place in the 400-yard IM (4:21.62), 500-yard freestyle (4:52.16) and the 1650-yard freestyle (16:46.83)... Won the 1000-yard freestyle (9:56.69) and the 500-yard freestyle with a 'B' standard qualifying time of 4:49.34 against Stanford... Took first place in the 200 butterfly against Cal (2:12.76)... Posted three NCAA automatic qualifying times at the 2003 Texas Invitational in the 500y freestyle (4:42.02), the 200y freestyle (1:47.05), and in the 200y butterfly (2:12.46)... Won the 1000y freestyle (9:55.14) and the 500-yard freestyle (4:50.88) against UCLA... Swam her way to victory in the 200 butterfly against USC in a time of 2:16.90... Placed second in the 1000 freestyle, 500 freestyle and 400-IM against Wisconsin.





Whitney Myers
Butterfly/Freestyle
Freshman
Oxford, Ohio
(Ursuline Academy)

Personal Bests

100 fly – 53.31

200 fly – 1:56.37

200 free – 1:47.1

500 free – 4:47.1

2003-04 Season: Qualified to compete in the 200 IM, 100 fly and 200 fly at the NCAA Championships... Posted six NCAA consideration times and one automatic qualifying time in the 200-yard butterfly (1:56.37), where she finished fourth at the 2004 Pac-10 Championships... Ranked seventh nationally in the 200 fly (1:56.37), eighth in the 100 fly (53.31) and 13th in the 200 IM... Won the 100-meter butterfly (1:02.61) against Arizona State... Took first place in the 200-yard IM (2:05.73) and swam the third leg of the first-place 400-medley relay team (3:44.60) against Texas... Also placed second in the 400-IM and the 100-Fly (55.9) vs. Texas... Earned second place in three events against Stanford, including the 200-yard butterfly (1:59.33), the 100-yard butterfly (55.49) and the 200-yard individual medley (2:02.69)... Posted a first-place finish in the 200 Individual Medley (2:15.76) against California and placed second in both the 200 and 100-fly... Set four NCAA automatic qualifying times at the Texas Invitational, as well as three consideration times... Runner-up in both the 200-yard fly (2:01.12) and the 100-yard fly (55.96) against UCLA... Placed first in both the 100 and 200 butterfly, and took second in the 100 freestyle against Wisconsin.





Erin Sieper
Breaststroke
Sophomore
Yorba Linda, Calif.
(Esperanza High School)

Personal Bests

100 breast – 1:01.89

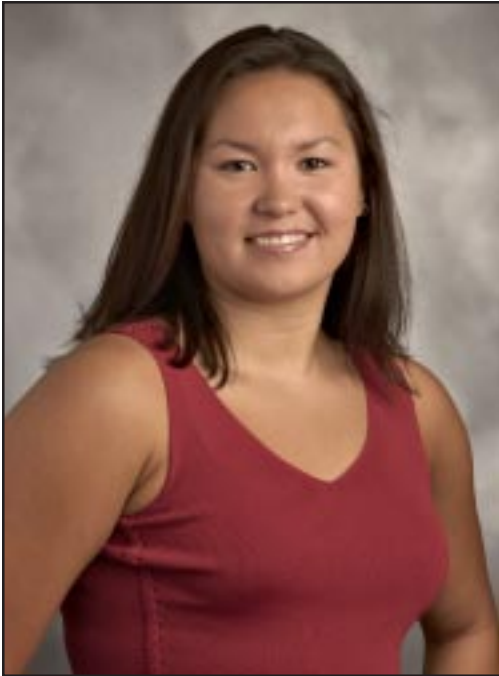
200 breast – 2:13.09

200 IM – 2:05.28

2003-04 Season: Will compete in the 100 and 200 breast at the NCAA Championships... Ranked in the top 25 nationally for the 100y breast (1:02.52) and the 200y breast (2:15.04)... Finished sixth in the 100y breast (1:02.52) at the Pac-10 Championships...

Posted a second-place finish in the 200y breast (2:16.61), as well as the 100y breast (1:04.35) against Texas... Earned fourth place in the 100m breast and posted an NCAA consideration time in the 100y breast (1:03.82) at the Texas Invitational... Ended the meet against UCLA as runner up in two events, the 100y breast (1:04.57) and the 200y breast (2:17.89). Also swam the second leg in the winning 200y MR team... Finished second in the 200m (LC) breast (2:40.29) against USC.





Marshi Smith
Backstroke/Freestyle
Sophomore
Annandale, Va.
(Reno (Nev.) HS)

Personal Bests

50 free – 23.04
100 free – 49.80
200 free – 1:49.44
100 back – 54.55
200 back – 2:01.55

2003-04 Season: Joins Gresdal, Hackett and Sieper as one of four sophomores to qualify for the NCAA Championships... Will compete in the 50 free, 100 free and 100 back at NAAs... Ranked 19th nationally in the 100 back (54.55) and 24th in the 100 free (49.80)... Tallied seven NCAA consideration times at the 2004 Pac-10 Championships. Took third place in the 100y back (54.55) and fourth in the 50y free... Contributed to the upset over Texas by placing third in the 100y free (51.58), swimming the second leg of the first-place 200y free relay, and anchoring the second-place 200y medley relay... Responsible for six NCAA consideration times and two automatic qualifying times, as she anchored the 400y medley relay and placed fifth in the 100y back (54.99)... Claimed first place in the 100-yard backstroke against UCLA... Also took first place in the 50y freestyle (27.49) vs. USC... Dominated Wisconsin, anchoring the 400-medley relay (3:45.41).





Jessica Wagner
Breaststroke
Senior
Naperville, Ill.
(Neuqua Valley HS)

Personal Bests

100 breast – 1:00.58

200 breast – 2:13.16

2003-04 Season: Only senior on the Arizona women's swim team... Fourth straight NCAA appearance... Set to compete in the 100 and 200 breast at NAAs... Currently ranked 10th in the nation in the 100y breast (1:01.22) and 15th in the 200y breast (2:14.25)... Finished the 2004 Pac-10 Championships, posting three NCAA consideration times including her fifth-place finish in the 200y breast (2:15.64). Also posted one NCAA automatic qualifying time in the 100y breast (1:01.8), where she placed third... Took first place in the 100-meter breast (1:09.00) and contributed to the 200-m medley relay victory against Arizona State... Won both the 200y breast (2:15.42) and the 100y breast (1:02.42) against Texas... Finished the dual-meet against Cal with two notable performances, winning both the 100 breaststroke (1:09.04) and the 200 breaststroke (2:30.03)... At the 2003 Texas Invitational, swam the second leg of the 400y medley relay, won the 100y breast (1:01.22), finished second in the 100m (LC) breast (1:10.97), and finished second in the 200y breast (2:14.25), tallying four NCAA automatic qualifying times... Won the 100 and 200y breast against UCLA... Against USC, earned first place in the 200m (LC) breast (2:37.29)... Swam her way to first place in both the 100 and 200 breaststroke against Wisconsin.





Mary Yarrison
Diving
Freshman
Springfield, Va.
(Robert E. Lee HS)

Personal Bests

1-meter – 483 points (11 dives)

1-meter – 308 points (6 dives)

3-meter – 494 points (10 dives)

2003-04 Season: Qualified to compete in the 1-meter, 3-meter and 10-meter platform events at the NCAA Championships... Won the 3-meter title (496.30) at the 2004 Zone E Diving Championships... Took second place in the 10-meter platform finals (406.5)... In the 1-meter finals, finished third (533.95)... At the 2004 Pac-10 Championships, placed second in the 1-meter finals (289.20) and third in both the 3-meter (480.55) and platform finals (377.30)... Against Arizona State, took third place in the 1-meter competition (264)... Won the 3-meter competition (305.7) and took third place in the 1-meter board against Texas... Finished second on the 1-meter board (275.03) against Stanford... Swept the competition at Cal, winning both the 1-meter (276.8) and 3-meter events (308.475)... Won the 3-meter and 1-meter competition against Northern Arizona and Missouri... Took first place in the 3-meter competition (464.6) at the 2003 Texas Invitational. Also posted a mark of 264.50 to earn sixth-place honors in the 1-meter competition... Claimed second place on the 1-meter board against UCLA (256.95)... Finished second in both the 1- and 3-meter events against USC... Won the 3-meter competition against Wisconsin.



2003-04 University of Arizona Women's Swimming Top Times

500-Free

1.	Emily Mason	4:40.02
2.	Melissa Johnson	4:47.25
3.	Brianna Loecher	4:58.71
4.	Abigail McIntosh	5:04.70

200-IM

1.	Whitney Myers	2:00.18
2.	Emily Strouse	2:02.33
3.	Katie Willis	2:02.81
4.	Jessica Hayes	2:02.83
5.	Jessica Wagner	2:07.81

50-Free

1.	Marshi Smith	23.04
2.	Jenna Gresdal	23.23
3.	Ryann Hackett	23.37
4.	Kathryn Elofson	23.63
5.	Lauren Preyss	24.01

400-IM

1.	Emily Mason	4:09.53
2.	Emily Strouse	4:18.72
3.	Katie Winkelhaus	4:28.11

100-Fly

1.	Whitney Myers	53.31
2.	Lisa Pursley	55.78

200-Free

1.	Jessica Hayes	1:47.75
2.	Melissa Johnson	1:48.57
3.	Katie Willis	1:48.80
4.	Kathryn Elofson	1:51.63
5.	Lauren Preyss	1:51.90

100-Breast

1.	Jessica Wagner	1:01.22
2.	Erin Sieper	1:02.52
3.	Katie Willis	1:03.49
4.	Emily Strouse	1:05.35
5.	Emily Mason	1:05.55

100-Back

1.	Marshi Smith	54.55
2.	Jessica Hayes	54.87
3.	Jenna Gresdal	55.31

4.	Ryann Hackett	55.39
5.	Whitney Myers	57.57

1650-Free

1.	Melissa Johnson	16:45.59
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200-Back

1.	Jessica Hayes	1:55.19
2.	Jenna Gresdal	1:59.25
3.	Meg Flanagan	2:03.59
4.	Katie Winkelhaus	2:08.80

100-Free

1.	Marshi Smith	49.80
2.	Ryann Hackett	50.62
3.	Kathryn Elofson	51.13
4.	Lauren Preyss	51.47
5.	Jenna Gresdal	51.77

200-Breast

1.	Jessica Wagner	2:14.25
2.	Erin Sieper	2:15.04
3.	Katie Willis	2:17.72
4.	Emily Strouse	2:18.63

200-Fly

1.	Whitney Myers	1:56.37
2.	Emily Mason	1:56.81
3.	Lisa Pursley	2:03.14

200 Free Relay

1.	Smith/Gresdal/Hackett/Hayes	1:31.39
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800 Free Relay

1.	Myers/Hayes/Johnson/Mason	7:12.01
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400 MR

1.	Myers/Smith/Wagner/Gresdal	3:38.64
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400 Free Relay

1.	Myers/Smith/Hackett/Hayes	3:20.56
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200 MR

1.	Myers/Smith/Wagner/Hayes	1:39.90
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Arizona Women Dual-Meet Season Review

The University of Arizona women's swimming and diving team concluded its 2003-04 dual-meet season with a 7-2 overall record and a 3-2 mark in the Pac-10 Conference. The Wildcats competed amongst some of the top teams in the nation and ended the dual-meet season ranked fifth according to the latest CSCAA Top-25 poll.

Arizona vs. Wisconsin

The University of Arizona women's swimming and diving team began its 2003-04 season with a victory over the Wisconsin Badgers. The women defeated the Badgers, 172.5-128.5. Senior Jessica Wagner swam her way to first place in both the 100 and 200 breaststroke.

Sophomore Marshi Smith, senior Jessica Wagner, sophomore Lisa Pursley and freshman Lauren Preyss dominated Wisconsin, winning the 400-medley relay in a time of 3:45.41. Freshman Whitney Myers placed first in the 100 and 200 butterfly, and she took second in the 100 freestyle. Junior Emily Mason placed second in the 1000 freestyle, 500 freestyle and 400 individual medley, adding 12 points to the Wildcat score.

For the women's diving team, senior Daniela Bemme and freshman Mary Yarrison stood out amongst everyone by taking first and second place, respectively, in both diving events. Bemme finished first in the 1-meter competition, while Yarrison was first in the 3-meter event.

Arizona vs. USC

To begin the Pac-10 season, the seventh-ranked Wildcats defeated the fifth-ranked Trojans, 133-110.

On the diving boards for the women, freshman Mary Yarrison took second place in both the 1- and 3-meter events. Senior Daniela Bemme placed third in the 1-meter and fourth in the 3-meter.

The women's swim team dominated the Trojans, earning first place in six events. Leading the Wildcats was junior Jessica Hayes, who won first place in both the 200 freestyle in a time of 2:04.78 and the 200 backstroke in a time of 2:16.45.

The 400 medley relay team of Jessica Hayes, senior Jessica Wagner, freshman Whitney Myers and sophomore Marshi Smith claimed first place in a time of 4:17.95. Smith also took first place in the 50 freestyle in a time of 27.49. Wagner swam a time of 2:37.29 to earn first place in the 200 backstroke, and junior Emily Mason won the 200 butterfly in a time of 2:16.90.

Arizona vs. UCLA

Playing host to Pac-10 foe UCLA, the Wildcats won the opening five events in the competition leading to a 144-118 victory over the Bruins.

Junior Jessica Hayes excelled by earning first place in three events – the 200-yard freestyle in a time of 1:48.83, the 100-yard freestyle in a time of 50:51 and the 200-yard backstroke in a time of 2:00.78.

Senior Jessica Wagner continued to dominate the breaststroke events, winning the 100-yard breaststroke in a time of 1:02.16 and the 200-yard breaststroke in a time of 2:16.77. Both times are B standard qualifying times for the NCAA Championships.

Junior Emily Mason also had a pair of victories in the 1000-yard freestyle (9:55.14) and the 500-yard freestyle (4:50.88). Sophomore Marshi Smith also claimed first place in the 100-yard backstroke.

On the diving boards, freshman Mary Yarrison finished second on the 1-meter board with 256.95 points, and senior Daniela Bemme finished third on the 3-meter board with 273.23 points.

Arizona @ Texas Invitational

In the first day of competition at the 2003 Texas Invitational, five Wildcats qualified for NCAAs, beginning with the 400-yard medley relay of sophomore Jenna Gresdal, senior Jessica Wagner, freshman Whitney Myers and sophomore Marshi Smith who won with a time of 3:40.00 and automatically qualified for NCAAs.

Myers automatically qualified for NCAAs in two events – the 200-yard individual medley (2:00.18) and the 100-yard butterfly (53.31). Junior Emily Mason won the 500-yard freestyle (4:42.02) and received an automatic qualifying time for NCAAs.

On the second day of competition at the Texas Invitational, the women's 200-yard medley relay of sophomore Marshi Smith, senior Jessica Wagner, sophomore Lisa Pursley and sophomore Ryann Hackett posted a consideration time for the NCAA Championships with a time of 1:41.51.

Junior Emily Mason swam the 200-yard freestyle in 1:47.05, automatically qualifying for the NCAA Championships. Freshman Melissa Johnson qualified in the 200-yard freestyle with a time of 1:48.5. Senior Jessica Wagner posted an automatic qualifying time in the 100-yard breaststroke with a time of 1:01.22.

Two divers qualified for the finals after the first day of diving competition. Freshman Mary Yarrison took first place with a score of 464.60, and senior Daniela Bemme scored 440.95 to finish in sixth.

To complete the annual Texas Invitational, junior Jessica Hayes posted a personal best (1:56.07) in the 200-yard backstroke, qualifying for the NCAA Championships. Junior Emily Mason earned an automatic qualifying time for the NCAA championships in the 200-yard butterfly with a mark of 2:12.46. Freshman Whitney Myers



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posted an NCAA consideration time of 2:13.43 in the 200-yard butterfly.

On the second day of competition for divers, Bemme placed fourth on the 1-meter with a score of 275.10, and Yarrison posted a mark of 264.50 to earn sixth-place honors in the 1-meter.

Arizona @ Cal

The Wildcats posted their first loss of the season on Jan. 23 in a dual meet against California. The No. 8 women of Cal defeated the No. 6 Wildcats, 152-148.

On the diving boards for the women, freshman Mary Yarrison swept the competition, winning the 3-meter diving event with 308.475 points and the 1-meter with 276.825 points. Senior Jennifer Hess placed third on the 3-meter and second on the 1-meter with 246.675 points. Senior Daniela Bemme took second place on the 3-meter with 267.375 points.

While the women's team was unable to pull out a victory, there were many notable performances from a few Wildcat swimmers. Senior Jessica Wagner won first place in two events – the 100 breaststroke (1:09.04) and the 200 breaststroke (2:30.03). Junior Jessica Hayes took first place in the 200 backstroke (2:08.57) and second in the 200 freestyle (2:00.34). Junior Emily Mason won the 200 butterfly (2:12.76), and freshman Whitney Myers was first in the 200 individual medley (2:15.76).

Arizona @ Stanford

Falling to conference rival Stanford, the No. 6 Arizona women were defeated by No. 4 Stanford, 166-134.

On the one-meter board, freshman Mary Yarrison was second with 275.03 points, and senior Daniela Bemme came in third with 248.30 points. Bemme also took third place on the 3-meter (277.35), and Yarrison was fourth (264.00).

In the 1000-yard freestyle, junior Emily Mason won the race in a time of 9:56.69. Mason also won the 500-yard freestyle with a 'B' standard qualifying time of 4:49.34. Sophomore Jenna Gresdal posted two first-place victories in the 100-yard backstroke (55.67) and in the 200-yard backstroke (1:59.27). Junior Jessica Hayes placed first in the 100-yard freestyle with a time of 51.13. Freshman Whitney Myers received second place in three events – the 200-yard butterfly (1:59.33), the 100-yard butterfly (55.49) and the 200-yard individual medley (2:02.69).

Arizona vs. Texas

The No. 6 Wildcats upset No. 5 Texas, 194-156, on Jan. 31 after two days of competition with the Longhorns. Junior Emily Mason swam her way to victory in the 1650-yard freestyle (16:46.83), and freshman Melissa Johnson took third place (17:27.67). Junior Jessica Hayes was first in the 200-yard freestyle (1:50.58), and sophomore Katie Willis was not far behind in second place (1:51.25).

Senior Jessica Wagner won the 100-yard breaststroke with a time of 1:02.36, and freshman Whitney Myers took home a victory, as well, winning the 200-yard individual medley (2:05.73).

On the boards, senior Daniela Bemme won the 1-meter competition with 276.37 points. Freshman Mary Yarrison won the 3-meter diving with 305.70 points, and Bemme placed second with 275.48 points.

Arizona @ Arizona State

To close the dual-meet season, the No. 7 Wildcats cruised by intrastate rival Arizona State, 170-130.

Arizona took top honors in the first six events of the meet, beginning with the 200-meter medley relay that was comprised of sophomore Jenna Gresdal, senior Jessica Wagner, freshman Whitney Myers and freshman Kathryn Elofson won with a time of 1:54.68. Junior Emily Mason took first place in three events – the 800-meter freestyle (8:42.75), the 200-meter butterfly (2:14.15) and the 400-meter butterfly (4:16.79).

Junior Jessica Hayes placed first in the 200-meter freestyle (2:01.17) and also in the 200-meter backstroke, posting an 'A' standard qualifying time for the NCAA Championships (2:10.51). Senior Jessica Wagner took first place in the 100-meter breaststroke, posting an 'A' standard time of 1:09.00. Gresdal won the 100-meter backstroke (1:02.44) posting a 'B' standard time. Whitney Myers won the 100-meter butterfly with a time of 1:02.61.

For the women's diving team, senior Daniela Bemme took second place on the 1-meter board with 273 points, while freshman Mary Yarrison was third with 264 points. On the 3-meter board, senior Jennifer Hess placed third with a total of 2:59.13 points.

Arizona @ Pac-10 Championships

The 2004 Pac-10 Championships were held at the Belmont Plaza Olympic Pool on Feb. 25-28. The Wildcats finished in third place overall with a total of 1,221.5 points. The Arizona men's and women's diving teams traveled to Federal Way, Wash., to compete in the Pac-10 Diving Championships.



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After the first night of competition, the 200-yard medley relay team of sophomore Jenna Gresdal, senior Jessica Wagner, sophomore Lisa Pursley and sophomore Marshi Smith finished second, posting an NCAA consideration time of 1:40.49. The 800-yard freestyle relay team of sophomore Katie Willis, junior Jessica Hayes, junior Emily Mason and freshman Melissa Johnson posted the second NCAA consideration time, taking third place with a time of 7:15.51.

In the second day of competition, the Wildcats maintained the third place position with a total of 398 team points after six swimming events and 3-meter diving.

Junior Emily Mason took second place in the 500-yard freestyle with a time of 4:40.02, automatically qualifying for the NCAA Championships. For the second event of the evening, freshman Whitney Myers posted an NCAA consideration time in the 200-yard individual medley (2:02.03).

In the 50-yard freestyle, sophomores Marshi Smith and Jenna Gresdal placed fourth and fifth, respectively, and both finished with NCAA consideration times. Posting the best time of the season in the 200-yard freestyle relay, Smith, Gresdal, junior Jessica Hayes and sophomore Ryann Hackett finished second with an NCAA consideration time of 1:31.39.

After three days of competition at the 2004 Pac-10 Championships, the Arizona women stayed in third place with 821 points. Freshman Mary Yarrison took second place in the 1-meter diving competition with a personal-best score of 289.20.

In the 400-yard individual medley, junior Emily Mason finished second, posting an NCAA automatic qualifying time of 4:09.53. Junior Jessica Hayes placed fifth in the 200-yard freestyle (1:47.75) and posted an NCAA consideration time.

Senior Jessica Wagner finished third in the 100-yard breaststroke with an NCAA automatic qualifying time of 1:01.80, and sophomore Erin Sieper finished sixth with an NCAA consideration time of 1:02.70.

In the 100-yard backstroke, three Arizona swimmers posted NCAA consideration times. Smith took third place (54.55), Hayes was fifth (55.13), and Hackett finished eighth (55.76). The 400-yard medley relay team of Hayes, Wagner, Myers, and Smith earned third-place honors, posting an NCAA consideration time of 3:39.36.

Hayes took home the Pac-10 title in the 200-yard backstroke with an NCAA automatic qualifying time of 1:56.41.

In the platform diving competition, Yarrison finished in third place with 377.30 points, and senior Daniela Bemme was not far behind, finishing fourth with 371.05 points.

Freshman Melissa Johnson posted the first NCAA consideration time of the evening in the 1650-yard freestyle with a time of 16:45.59. In the 100-yard freestyle, sophomores Smith and Hackett, and freshman Kathryn Eloffson finished with consolation final honors, each posting an NCAA consideration time, as well.

In the 200-yard breaststroke, sophomore Erin Sieper and Wagner tallied two more NCAA consideration times, finishing fourth (2:15.58) and fifth (2:15.64), respectively. Myers finished fourth in the 200-yard butterfly (1:56.37), and Mason finished sixth (1:56.81), as both swimmers posted NCAA automatic qualifying times in an extremely fast championship heat.

To end the meet, the 400-yard freestyle relay team of Hayes, Smith, freshman Lauren Preyss, and Hackett finished fourth with an NCAA consideration time of 3:21.07.

