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MEN'S AND WOMEN'S SWIMMING AND DIVING COMPETE AT THE METROPOLITAN COLLEGIATE CHAMPIONSHIPS

Women's team finishes fourth overall; Men's team earns a fifth-place finish.

PISCATAWAY, N.J. -- The Providence College men's and women's swimming and diving teams competed at the Metropolitan Collegiate Championships on February 21-23 in Piscataway, N.J. The men's team finished fifth overall out of 17 teams, while the women earned a fourth-place finish among 19 teams.

The men's swimming and diving team finished fifth (251 points) out of 17 teams at the Metropolitan Collegiate Championships. The Friars' highest finish was in the 800 yard freestyle relay, as the team of freshman Seth Brockman (Kenner, La.), sophomore Matthew Raske (New Rochelle, N.Y.), freshman Frank LaMonaca (Cheshire, Conn.) and junior Patrick Kavanagh (Newburgh, N.Y.) finished third with a time of 7:13.44. Senior Tom Darrow (Cranston, R.I.) earned the highest individual finish of the day for PC (fifth) in the 200 yard individual medley with a time of 1:59.51. In all, Darrow made it to the finals in five events, including two relays. Providence had 38 swimmers qualify for the finals in 16 events including five relays. The Friars finished among the top-10 in 13 finals events.

The Providence College women's swimming and diving team finished fourth (379.50 points) out of 19 teams at the Metropolitan Collegiate Championships on February 21-23 in Piscataway, N.J. Junior Bridget McKenna (Narragansett, R.I.) led the Friars with a first-place individual finish in the 1,650 yard (mile) freestyle with a time of 18:05.00. McKenna also earned a fourth-place finish (5:17.03) in the 500 yard freestyle, an 11th-place finish (2:01.97) in the 200 yard freestyle and helped the 800 yard freestyle team to a fourth-place finish in a time of 8:21.23. Joining McKenna on the 800 relay team were freshman Jill Fortier (East Haddam, Conn.), freshman Lori Brezinsky (Bethlehem, Pa.) and senior Christina Cotter (Ballston Lake, N.Y.). Fortier also earned a second-place individual finish in the 200 yard breaststroke with a time of 2:31.22. Senior Kate Fuller (Staten Island, N.Y.) earned her best finish of the day in the 100 yard breaststroke with a time of 1:09.17. Providence had 58 swimmers qualify the finals in 20 events, including five relays. Fourteen swimmers finished among the top-five in their respective events.

TEAM RESULTS

WOMEN'S RESULTS (TOP 10 OF 19 TEAMS)

Team	Points
1. The College of New Jersey	851.50
2. Rowan University	647
3. Southern Connecticut	610
4. PROVIDENCE	379.50
5. Montclair State	262
6. William Paterson	231.50
7. Saint Rose	144
8. US Merchant Marine Academy	140.50
9. Adelphi	94
10. Stevens Institute of Technology	93

MEN'S RESULTS (TOP 10 OF 17 TEAMS)

Team	Points
1. Southern Connecticut	855
2. The College of New Jersey	813
3. Rowan University	416
4. US Merchant Marine Academy	410
5. PROVIDENCE	251
6. Saint Rose	236
7. Montclair State	220
8. William Paterson	159
9. Adelphi	95
10. SUNY Maritime College	94

**PROVIDENCE COLLEGE
SWIMMING AND DIVING
WOMEN'S INDIVIDUAL RESULTS**

**Metropolitan Collegiate Championships
FOURTH PLACE - of 19
2/21/03 - 2/23/03**

<u>Event</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Place</u>	<u>Time</u>
200 yard freestyle relay	Brezinsky, Meleski, Taylor, Fuller	4th	1:43.16
500 yard freestyle	Bridget McKenna Christina Cotter	4th 15th	5:17.03 5:29.23
200 yard IM	Katie Burns	18th	2:26.82
50 yard freestyle	Kate Fuller Lyndsay Taylor Lori Brezinsky Alyssa Meleski	4th 16th 18th 19th	24.77 26.06 26.04 26.36
400 yard medley relay	Trilla, Cotter, K. Fuller, Brezinsky	4th	4:15.66
200 yard medley relay	Trilla, K. Fuller, Meleski, Taylor	4th	1:56.04
400 yard IM	Katie Burns	8th	5:11.01
100 yard butterfly	Alyssa Meleski Mariana Trilla	12th Tied 13th	1:04.14 1:04.19
200 yard freestyle	Bridget McKenna Christina Cotter Lori Brezinsky Taylor Dabrowski	11th 15th 19th 24th	2:01.97 2:03.61 2:03.69 2:10.27
100 yard breaststroke	Kate Fuller Jill Fortier Megan Fuller Heather Smith	3rd 4th 15th 20th	1:09.17 1:09.71 1:15.91 1:17.49
100 yard backstroke	Mariana Trilla Anne Reilly	12th 18th	1:05.06 1:08.16
800 yard freestyle relay	Fortier, Brezinsky, Cotter, McKenna	4th	8:21.23
1,650 yard freestyle	Bridget McKenna Taylor Dabrowski Maureen McNally Meghan Kelly	1st 17th 19th 20th	18:05.00 20:24.40 21:24.70 22:18.97
200 yard backstroke	Anne Reilly	11th	2:23.48
100 yard freestyle	Kate Fuller Lori Brezinsky Lyndsay Taylor Alyssa Meleski	5th 16th 18th 21st	54.20 56.97 56.73 57.42
200 yard breaststroke	Jill Fortier Christina Cotter Megan Fuller Katie Burns	2nd 9th 13th 19th	2:31.22 2:35.24 2:42.48 2:44.67
200 yard butterfly	Chris Dorado	15th	2:36.76
1-meter diving	Jamie Modon-Cohen Mary Burke	4th 6th	331.55 301.10
3-meter diving	Jamie Modon-Cohen Mary Burke	4th 6th	333.25 301.30
400 yard freestyle relay	Brezinsky, Meleski, Taylor, K. Fuller	4th	3:45.35

**PROVIDENCE COLLEGE
SWIMMING AND DIVING
MEN'S INDIVIDUAL RESULTS**

**Metropolitan Collegiate Championships
FIFTH PLACE - of 17
2/21/03 - 2/23/03**

<u>Event</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Place</u>	<u>Time</u>
200 yard freestyle relay	Flynn, Brockman, LaMonaca, Kavanagh	5th	1:28.18
500 yard freestyle	Patrick Kavanagh	9th	4:49.02
200 yard IM	Tom Darrow	5th	1:59.51
50 yard freestyle	Seth Brockman Bryan Flynn	13th 21st	21.89 22.47
400 yard medley relay	Flynn, Franzen, Darrow, Kavanagh	6th	3:41.19
200 yard medley relay	Flynn, Franzen, Darrow, Brockman	6th	1:40.89
400 yard IM	Tom Darrow	6th	4:21.97
100 yard butterfly	Frank LaMonaca	13th	56.14
200 yard freestyle	Patrick Kavanagh	7th	1:45.92
100 yard breaststroke	Pat Franzen	10th	1:02.14
100 yard backstroke	Bryan Flynn Mike Vezzoli	9th 16th	55.96 58.92
800 yard freestyle relay	Brockman, Raske, LaMonaca, Kavanagh	3rd	7:13.44
200 yard backstroke	Tom Darrow Bryan Flynn Mike Vezzoli Brian Dorgan	9th 16th 22nd 23rd	2:00.02 2:06.48 2:09.63 2:13.06
100 yard freestyle	Patrick Kavanagh Seth Brockman Frank LaMonaca	10th 11th 23rd	48.11 48.26 50.18
200 yard breaststroke	Pat Franzen	13th	2:22.21
400 yard freestyle relay	Brockman, Flynn, LaMonaca, Kavanagh	4th	3:13.79