

## 2008 Zone Team Recap

The 2008 Southern Zone Championship meet was one to remember! Our own Florida Swimming team was first of the 15 teams and was more dominate than ever. This kind of success doesn't happen by accident and the results speak very well for the state of Florida Swimming as a whole.

One of the first things that the coaching staff addressed with the swimmers was our belief that Florida Swimming teams train harder and with better fundamentals that our competition. We were fully convinced that as the meet progressed, our Florida swimmers would be getting stronger as the competition declined. Anyone watching the results was aware that this turned out to be true.

Building this championship team started with Sherwood Watts selection of the coaching staff. I couldn't have asked for better support from our coaches, each one dedicated a lot of time to the lineup, relay selection, coaching and guidance of our team.

The swimmers themselves however are then ones who won the meet for us. We spoke a lot about being the best team in every way. Team Captains Sterling Wine, Kaitlin Taylor, Mark Cox and Kirt Davis took this to heart and were the driving force behind keeping the team motivated at the pool and professional everywhere else. Our overriding advantage was the Florida team's ability to stay focused throughout the meet and swim every session like it was the most important. Thanks to the swimmers, coaches, chaperones, Florida Swimming staff and parents. Your efforts have made Florida Swimming something to be proud of and 2008 Southern Zone Champions!

### Team Scores

1. Florida Swimming	1036
2. Georgia Swimming	776.5
3. Florida Gold Coast	717
4. Southeastern	658.5
5. North Carolina	641
6. Gulf Swimming	566.5
7. South Carolina	316.5
8. Louisiana	248
9. Kentucky	238.5
10. South Texas	97
11. Team North Texas	93.5
12. Mississippi	54
13. Border Swimming	43
14. West Texas	0
14. West Virginia	0

### Florida Swimming Age Group Champions

13-14 Girls

15-18 Girls

### Florida Swimming Event Winners and Meet Records

13-14 Girls 800 Free	Cha-Cha Bugatti	8:57.01 Meet Record
15-18 Boys 1,500 Free	John Orban	15:55.75 Meet Record

15-18 Boys 200 Free	Matthey Pressley	1:56.21
15-18 Girls 400 IM	Rocky Raybon	4:57.03 Meet Record
15-18 Boys 400 IM	John Orban	4:35.52
13-14 Girls 400 IM	Cha-Cha Bugatti	5:02.34
15-18 Girls 400 IM	Rocky Raybon	2:15.71 Meet Record
15-18 Boys 200 Fly	Mark Cox	2:03.79 Meet Record
11-12 Girls 50 Fly	Lydia Ware	29.77
11-12 Girls 100 Breast	Hannah Lillo	1:18.41
15-18 Girls 400 Free	Kate Woolbright	4:22.19 Meet Record
13-14 Girls 400 Free	Tina Papadopoulos	4:24.57
13-14 Boys 400 Free	Justin Kaisrlik	4:10.90
15-18 Boys 100 Back	Matt Curby	59.61
15-18 Girls 200 Free Relay	Shaun Casey 27.71	
	Jordan Smith 28.06	
	Lauren Piper 27.53	
	Kelsey Krauss 27.01	1:50.31

### **Most Dominate Florida Swimming Events**

15-18 Girls 200 Free			
Marissa Harrington	3 <sup>rd</sup>		
Kelsey Krauss	7 <sup>th</sup>		
Shaun Casey	8 <sup>th</sup>		
Jordan Smith	9 <sup>th</sup>		
Sterling Wine	10 <sup>th</sup>	Total Points	18

15-18 Girls 200 Fly			
Rocky Raybon	1 <sup>st</sup>		
Kaitlin Taylor	2 <sup>nd</sup>		
Sterling Wine	4 <sup>th</sup>		
Lauren Piper	7 <sup>th</sup>	Total Points	31

15-18 Boys 200 Fly			
Mark Cox	1 <sup>st</sup>		
Hunter Hinson	2 <sup>nd</sup>		
CJ Reall	3 <sup>rd</sup>	Total Points	28

13-14 Girls 200 IM			
Tina Papadopoulos	2 <sup>nd</sup>		
Jessica Piper	3 <sup>rd</sup>		
Kelsey Buckley	4 <sup>th</sup>		
Cha-Cha Bugatti	5 <sup>th</sup>		
Savannah Fernandez	6 <sup>th</sup>	Total Points	35

### **Coaching Staff**

11-12 Girls	Kelly Wynns
11-12 Boys	Jeff Wise
13-14 Girls	John Breunning

13-14 Boys Mio Vasic  
15-18 Girls Benji DeMotte (Head Coach)  
15-18 Girls Mark Matuszak  
Chaperones Bill and Pam Wall  
Jeannie Finke