Miami County girls swim team wins team title on Senior Night



Louisburg senior Cadence Weichert won the 200-yard individual medley on May 7 at the team's home meet in Osawatomie.

OSAWATOMIE — It had been more than a month since the Osawatomie-Paola-Louisburg-Spring Hill girls swim team had a chance to compete in its home pool.

It was like it never left.

The Miami County team put together another strong performance in its regular season finale on May 7 as it took first place with 563 points in the 4-team meet. Independence was second at 509.

It posted 40 personal best times on the day and won five

events.

"The home meet was a big success," coach Mary Argeropoulos said. "We swim well at home typically and these ladies defended their home pool really well. It was fun and rewarding for them to see the display of hard work, talent, and depth of the team achieve their first place team finish."

It was also Senior Night, and for the Louisburg side, it was an emotional one. Sabra Brueggen, Janie Harth and Cadence Weichert were all honored for their contributions to the program.

All three swimmers have been important parts to the Louisburg program and they have participated in the state meet. Brueggen has medaled at state the last three seasons.

"Our 3 Louisburg seniors have really been the backbone of the team for the last four years," Argeropolous said. "They came in with enthusiasm and a love of the sport that translated into an infectious draw to the program. It has been a journey to watch them grow and develop both in and out of the pool.

"Cadence, Janie and Sabra will all be greatly missed and could never be replaced, but they have left a swimming legacy in our community that will inspire others to pick up where they have left off."



Louisburg seniors (from left) Sabra Brueggen, Janie Harth and Cadence Weichert were honored with their parents during Senior Night ceremonies on May 7 in Osawatomie.

Brueggen continued her strong season as she qualified for state in two more individual events — the 50 and 500 freestyle. She has now qualified in every event and will later choose two to compete at state.



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As for Harth, she won the 100 freestyle in 1:03.85 and also took fourth in the 50 freestyle with a time of 28.05. Weichert won the 200 individual medley in 2:50 and was third in the 100 free in 1:06.

Louisburg sophomore Ella Bockelman finished second in both the 200 individual medley and 100 backstroke, while sophomore Talen McMurray was runner-up in the 200 and 100 freestyle.

Another sophomore, Makayla Ellis, was third in the 500 freestyle and seventh in the 50 free.

The Miami County team also captured all three relay titles. In the 200 medley, Brueggen, Harth, Weichert and Bockelman won in 2:08.72.

Brueggen, Ellis, along with Spring Hill's Alivia Hagar and Camden Strickland, took first in the 200 free relay in 1:54. Strickland, Ellis, Hagar and Harth won the 400 free relay in 4:27.

The team is back in action on May 14 as it hosts the Independent League meet at the Ozone in Osawatomie. Events begin at 4 p.m.