

## KEHOE-FRANCE NORTHSHORE BLUE DOLPHINS WIN SRSA CHAMPIONSHIP

In a dramatic example of going from worst to first, the Kehoe-France Northshore Blue Dolphins scored a surprising upset in winning the Scenic Rivers Swim Association Championships by the narrowest victory margin in SRSA's six year history. The meet was held July 13 and 15 at Tchefuncta Country Club.

The Blue Dolphins held off the fast closing and heavily favored Pelican Athletic Club on the second day of the meet to win by 44.5 points, 3,309.50 points to 3,265 points. Last year's champion Franco's Athletic Club was third [2,578], host team Tchefuncta Country Club T-Birds was fourth [1,856.50], the Beau Chene Sharks fifth [1,237.50], Glen Shores was sixth [445] and Oak Knoll returned to SRSA competition and finished seventh [390].

On the first day of the meet, less than 100 points separated the top three teams after the freestyle relays. The Pelicans held a 28.5 point lead over the Blue Dolphins and FSC was a close 36 points behind. From there, the Blue Dolphins came back in the breaststroke events to hold a scant 2.5 point lead, then, in the butterfly events the Blue Dolphins broke the meet wide open by creating 167.5 points of separation between them and the Pelicans. In the medley relays, the Blue Dolphins continued their storm surge of points and

finished with a 250.50 point margin over the Pelicans, 1,899.50 to 1,649.

Franco's was solidly in third with 1521.50.

The individual high point winners and runner ups in this session were:

<b>High Point</b>	<b>Name</b>	<b>Team</b>	<b>Runner up</b>
6 girls:	Allie Amerson	OKCC,	Brittany Pierce TTB
6 boys:	Will Fitterer	PEL,	Tyler Loop FSC
7 girls:	Heidi Fritscher,	FSC,	Kaylee Johnson FSC
7 boys:	Trey James,	PEL,	Hayden Willis, TTB
8 girls:	Murphy Conlin,	Oak Knoll,	Kyndall Clements, PEL
8 boys:	Griffin Guzan,	KFBD,	Grant Gallaspy, KFBD
9 girls:	Kristen Jennings,	BCC,	Hannah Chopin, PEL
9 boys:	Andrew Knudsen,	KFBD,	Alex Salles, KFBD
10 girls:	Kara Kopsco,	KFBD,	Alex Cloutet & Emily Prieto, KFBD
10 boys:	tie: Will Warwick,	KFBD	tie: Gianni Scramuzza KFBD &
	& Jackson Murrell,	PEL	Tyler Davis FSC

But no lead is safe in a championship meet. PAC and Franco's had it's strongest group coming in on the meet's second day and both teams were expected to challenge, if not overtake the Blue Dolphins in Saturday's competition.

In the individual medleys the Blue Dolphins opened a 304.50 lead over Pelican, but in the freestyles the Pelicans gobbled the lead down to 137.50 points. Pelican continued its run and closed to 98 points in the backstroke events.

The Blue Dolphins battled hard in the free relays and stretched their lead to 120 points, but the Pelicans came back with strong breaststroke swims and

closed the lead to 22 points. The Blue Dolphins showed their “bend but don’t break tenacity” by stretching their lead to 30.5 points after the butterfly events and then rallied in the medley relays to stretch their victory margin to the 44.5 points.

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11 girls	Jonna Rose Frantz	FSC	Katie Fearn	BCC
11 boys	Robert Klazynski	KFBD	Brandon Charitat	FSC
12 girls	Kelly O’Mahoney	PEL	Morgan Laurent	PEL
12 boys	Thomas Beckstrom	PEL	Alex Knudsen	KFBD
13-14 girls	Jesi Kopcsó	KFBD	Angela Laborde	FSC
13-14 boys	Phillip Gallego	FSC	Andre Charitat	FSC
15-18 girls	Lauren Kloepfer	GS	Diane Threkeld	FSC
15-18 boys	Michael Appleby	BCC	Johnny Thompson	PEL