

Dolphins swimmer, coach nominated for awards

Oakville Dolphins swimmer Colin Russell and coach Erin Russell have been nominated by Swim Ontario for major provincial awards.

SPORTSBRIEFS

Colin, a member of the Canadian national team and a competitor at the 2008 Olympic Summer Games in Beijing, is up for Ontario male athlete of the year. Erin, the Dolphins' head coach, is up for Ontario female coach of the year.

Secord commits to SFU

Holy Trinity Titans running back Zack Secord has committed to play football and attend school at Simon Fraser University this fall.

Secord, who also played for the South Central Ontario Football League champion Oakville Titans last summer (where he was named MVP of the championship game), was heavily recruited by a number of schools on both sides of the border.

Simon Fraser University is a

NCAA Division 2 school.

Labenski an all-star

Oakville Trafalgar grad Tom Labenski has been selected to play in the Canadian University East football all-star game this spring.

Labenski has been a starting line-backer for Acadia University the past two seasons.

The all-star game will be held May 8 at the University of Western Ontario in London.

Locals win volleyball gold

Three local students helped the Burlington Fire & Fury under-17 girls' volleyball team win gold at a pair of recent tournaments.

Oakville Trafalgar's Megan Sampson, St. Thomas Aquinas' Michayla Caughlin and White Oaks' Lauren Lyttle suit up for the Burlington squad that won the 18-under Bugarski Cup Trillium tournament in Ottawa and the 17-under Challenge Cup in Kitchener.



TOURNAMENT GOLD: The Oakville atom red Vikings won a recent house league tournament at Nottawasaga Resort.

Atom Vikings claim Nottawasaga title

Edging out Minor Oaks Hockey Association rival Oakville Wranglers in the final, the Oakville atom red Vikings won the championship at the second annual House League and Select Hockey Tournament recently at Nottawasaga Resort.

The Vikings allowed only one goal in the tournament en route to a 3-0-1 overall record.

Members of the team are John Carson, Austin

Fishwick, Ryan Tautrims, Alexander Watson, Robert Winch, Benjamin Hosein, Jacob Hosein, Aidan Kumar, Matthew Lobo, Adam Perruzza, Jack Creighton, Noah Gibson, Conor Hart, Shayan Shirazi and Adam Farley.

Jeff Gibson, Bruce Creighton and Derrick Fishwick coach the team, Max Farley is the manager and Joel Watson is the trainer. Team MOMS are Liane Tautrims and Sue Carson.

MOVING UP:

The Oakville Thunder under-15 girls' volleyball team won a recent tournament in Burlington. The club hopes to move into Tier 1 before the Ontario championships in April and the nationals in May.



U15 Thunder golden in Burlington

The Oakville Thunder under-15 girls' volleyball team's hopes of moving up into Tier 1 this season got a major boost recently.

The team won a tournament in Burlington, avenging a preliminary-round loss to Georgetown by beating the Impact 25-13, 25-23 in the championship match.

Courtney Brand delivered the winning ace for Oakville as the Thunder held on after the Impact narrowed a 24-19 deficit to 24-23.

"This tournament was our best shot at moving up a division into Tier 2," said Oakville coach Alan Muliylil. "We can now focus on getting into Tier 1 before the

Ontario championships in April and the nationals in May. All credit to the team; they took the opportunity and made it happen."

After opening the tournament with a 25-23, 25-23 loss to Georgetown, the Thunder rebounded to win three straight games and reach the final. Oakville downed Ms. Pakmen 25-20, 25-16; blitzed the Collingwood Cubs 25-9, 25-13; and defeated the Cambridge Hawks 25-17, 25-12.

Members of the team are Anastasiya Tarnouskaya, Autumn Bailey, Tonia Nimeck, Emily Rybnerk, Jenna Black, Courtney Brand, Amy Horikawa, Samantha Wilson, Holly Micuda, Ola Murawska and Rachel Oberholster.

OAK wins Central Region short-course meet

Oakville Aquatic Club (OAK) recently won the 2010 Central Region short-course championships at the Etobicoke Olympium.

The Oakville team collected 806 points to earn the top spot. Etobicoke Swim Club came in second with 721 points and Markham Aquatic Swim Club finished in third with 670 points.

The top swimmer from Oakville was 14-year-old Owen Scarrow. He finished with a first-place finish in each of his four races, earning 60 points for his team's final score.

Other first-place swimmers for

Oakville were Rebecca Gibson, Alexandra Kalman, Kristen Olvet, Sherry Patel, Olivia Sinclair, Kristen Wharin, Jack Cavanagh, Victor Komadina, Nathan Lang, Scott Love, Dejan Pajovic, Luka Tomic and Adam Scott.

Second-place swimmers from Oakville were Carly Jazbec, Emily Ramier, Abbey Saunders, Alexander Karam, Martin Matusczak and Connor Wilkins.

Oakville's third-place finishers included Hannah Burgess, Linda Wang, Jenna Wood, Cameron Byrne, Jay Lansiquot and Carter Yeudall.

OAK swimmers were back in the Etobicoke Olympium water a week later for the 2010 CR Winter Team Champs competition.

Oakville's first-place finishers in this event were Laura Komadina, Emma Tsang, Artem Ivakhnenko, Blaze Slavkovski and Bryanna Samuels and Nina Tomic, who both finished with two first-place awards.

Second-place finishers included Milan Bowie, Rachna Dhanjal and Alexander Glista.

Third-place finishers from Oakville Aquatic Club included Jocelyn Chow, Jordan Pollock and Julius Raymond.

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