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NCS Throws Down 3 Futures Cuts To Lead In The Team Scoring on Day One of the Southern Zone Age Group Championship

Events on Day One of the 2022 Southern Zone Age Group Championships included the 11-12 400m Free, the 13-14/15-18 Girls 800m Freestyle and the 13-14/15-18 Boys 1500m Freestyle. The session ended with the 200 Mixed Free Relay for the 11-12, 13-14 and 15-18 age groups.

Yari Brock (12) won the 11-12 Girls 400m Free in a time of 4:36.77 which is a Summer Senior Sectional qualifying standard. Teammate **Reina Liu** (12) swam a 4:41.98, her best time, and a third place finish. **Fiona O'Malley** completed her 400 Free in a best time of 4:46.06 and took 8th Place.

Not to be outdone the 11-12 Boys had two swimmers score in the top-8—**William Zhang** (12) finished third with nearly a 6 sec drop [4:33.62] and Griffin Cagle finished fifth in a time of 4:40.15. Teddy Peterson swam 4:49.89 to finish tenth.

In the 15-18 Girls 800m Free, NCS swimmer **Charlotte LePage** (15) had a first place finish in 9:11.35 which is a Futures cut. **Daisy Collins** (13) swam a 9:12.31, also a Futures cut and good enough to win the 13-14 Girls 800m Free. **Madison Schmitz** (13) placed third in the 13-14 Girls with a time of 9:23.43. Taylor Goodwin finished in fifth place among the 15-18 Girls with a time of 9:28.45. **Tia Ormondroyd** (15) finished 8th with a time of 9:45.31 and **Madison Winardi** (14), finished 10th swimming a time of 9:35.40.

Santi Alzate (14) posted a new best time by nearly 15 seconds in the 1500m Free [16:24.22] and won the 13-14 Boys event in a time good enough for a new Futures qualifying standard. Teammate Ben Brock (14) finished in fifth place

with a final time of 17:09.08. 15-18 Boys, **Harrison Short** (17:30.21), 10th; **Frank Hassell** (17:44.70), 14th; and **Isaac Holtham** (17:46.91), 15th; all swam best times in the 1500m Free with 40, 32 and 40 second drops respectively!

The coaches are awarding prizes to scoring swimmers, recognizing superlative swims with NCS OSCARS and top-3 finishing relays are being recognized. Swimmers who score receive stars that are placed on our WALL OF FAME at our hotel.

In the Mixed Freestyle relay, the 11-12 team of Yari Brock, William Guy, Carolin He and William Zhang finished 2nd overall in a time of 1:50.45.

The 13-14 Mixed Freestyle relay team of Albert Smelzer, Michael Rice, Taylor Klein, and Georgia Howard won their relay in a time of 1:43.97 just missing the meet record of 1:43.42 set by Georgia in 2018.

Lastly the 15-18 Mixed Freestyle Relay team of Kyle Countie, Hil Lindsay, Miko Takei and Nina Nugent swam to a third place finish of 1:45.01.



Chaperones Jaime Goodwin (L) and Kelly Townsend (R) getting heat sheets prepared for sending out on the Group Me app. These two are first time chaperones and have done a great job with the NC swimmers, assisting with moving snacks and water, helping with meals and helping the team move from place to place. Teamwork makes the dream work!

WEDNESDAY's SCHEDULE

5:45AM—WAKE-UP

6:30AM — BUS DEPARTS FOR POOL

7:00-8:30AM: GENERAL WARM-UPS

LANE	1 st WARM-UP 7:00-7:30AM	2 nd WARM-UP 7:30-8:00AM	3 rd WARM-UP 8:00-8:30AM
1			
2	KENTUCKY	GEORGIA	MISSISSIPPI
3	NORTH CAROLINA	SOUTH TEXAS	BORDER
4	SOUTH CAROLINA	FLORIDA	NORTH TEXAS
5	WEST TEXAS	GULF	FLORIDA GOLD COAST
6	WEST VIRGINIA	LOUISIANA	SOUTHEASTERN
7			
8	DISABILITY	DISABILITY	DISABILITY

8:30-8:50AM: SPECIFIC WARM-UPS

[Lanes 1,2,7,8 – PACE LANES](#)

Lanes 3 & 6 – ONE-WAY STARTS

Lanes 4, 5 – GENERAL WARM-UPS

9:00AM: PRELIMINARIES BEGIN:

GIRLS #	WEDNESDAY ORDER OF EVENTS	BOYS #
9	11-12 200M Freestyle	10
11	13-14 200M Freestyle	12
13	15-18 200M Freestyle	14
15	11-12 50M Breaststroke	16 ^{AWARDS}
17	13-14 200M Breaststroke	18
19	15-18 200M Breaststroke	20
21	11-12 100M Butterfly	22
23	13-14 100M Butterfly	24
25	15-18 100M Butterfly	26 ^{AWARDS}
27	11-12 400M Medley Relay**	28
29	13-14 400M Medley Relay**	30
31	15-18 400M Medley Relay**	32
** All relays are timed finals and will be swum in the finals session.		

4:00-4:45PM: GENERAL WARM-UPS FOR FINALS

4:45-5:15PM: SPECIFIC WARM-UPS FOR FINALS Lanes 1 & 8 – PACE

Lanes 2,3,6,7 – ONE-WAY STARTS

Lanes 4 & 5 – GENERAL

5:30PM: FINALS BEGIN.

The fastest 8 swimmers in each event will be marched out and names announced.

Relay cards are due

Awards presentations after Event 16 and 26 in finals.

