

2004 MIAC Swimming & Diving Championships Recap

Saturday Finals Recap

Minneapolis – The Gustavus Adolphus College men's and women's swimming and diving teams both captured the team crowns at the 2004 MIAC Championships, held at the University of Minnesota's Aquatics Center.

The Gustie women beat defending champion St. Olaf College by 161 points in claiming their second team conference title in the last three years and the second in program history. The Gustie men won for the third consecutive year and for the 18th time overall by outdistancing second-place St. Olaf 909.5-858.0.

St. Olaf's Katie Detwiler captured her third individual title of the meet, winning the 200-yard butterfly. She was the lone female to take three individual first-place medals in the meet. Teammate Carly Knoell won the 200-yard backstroke in 2:07.13, breaking her own MIAC meet record and defending last year's title. Gustavus' Beth DeLaRosby took her second title of the meet, recording a NCAA A cut time of 52.22 in the 100-yard freestyle.

On the men's side, Gustavus' freshman sensation Scott Hagemeyer grabbed his third individual win of the event, winning the 100 freestyle in a NCAA A cut time of 45.69. He also won the 50-yard freestyle and the 100-yard backstroke titles. He capped the meet by anchoring the Gusties' victorious 400-yard freestyle relay team to a MAIC meet record time of 3:06.48.

Gustavus dominated the relay events, as both the Gustie men and women took first place in four of the five relays.

Detwiler was named the MIAC Championships "Swimmer of the Meet" and the Gusties' Hagemeyer took the same honor on the men's side. Macalester's Liz Fitzgerald was named the conference championships diver of the meet and Christian Lorentzen of St. Olaf won the award for the men. Coach of the Year went to the Scot's Bob Pearson (women) and Jon Carlson (men).

WOMEN'S TEAM SCORES

1. Gustavus Adolphus College 842 2. St. Olaf College 681.5 3. Carleton College 642 4. Macalester College 363.5 5. College of St. Benedict 311 6. University of St. Thomas 236 7. Concordia College 193 8. Hamline University 174 9. College of St. Catherine 138 10. St. Mary's University 77 11. Augsburg College 43

MEN'S TEAM SCORES

1. Gustavus Adolphus College 909.5 2. St. Olaf College 858 3. St. John's University 651.50 4. Carleton College 409 5. Macalester College 190 6. University of St. Thomas 179 7. St. Mary's University 149 8. Hamline University 92

Friday Finals Recap

Minneapolis – Four swimmers successfully defended individual titles and the Gustavus Adolphus College men's and women's 200-yard medley relay teams both set new MIAC records to highlight action on day two of the 2004 MIAC Swimming & Diving Championships.

Gustavus continues to lead the men's and women's team race. The Gustie women, who set a new MIAC overall record in the 200 medley in 1:48.65, tallied 553 points to pull away from second-place St. Olaf at 462. On the men's side, the Gusties used a MIAC record time of 1:32.79 in the 200 medley relay to kick off the evening session and extended their three-point lead from day one to 22 points over St. Olaf. The Gustie men are the two-time defending champions and the Gusties women are gunning for their second title in three years.

Carleton sophomore Jenny Grover defended her 100-yard backstroke title, recording a evening finals' time of 59.23. In preliminary race action, Grover's time of 58.95 set a new MIAC overall and championships meet record and automatically qualified her for the NCAA Championships. St. Olaf junior Katie Detwiler had the other record swim, successfully defending her 400-yard individual medley title in 4:37.06, breaking a 21-year old MIAC overall record and bettering her own meet record. It was Detwiler's second title of the meet, as she won the 200 IM on Thursday.

St. Olaf's Mark Glineburg repeated as the men's 400 IM champ, as did Gustavus' Will Sutor in the 100-yard butterfly. The Gusties' Scott Hagemeyer added to his 50-yard freestyle title from Thursday by taking first in the 100-yard backstroke in 51.93.

Team Scores – Women

1 Gustavus Adolphus College 553; 2. St. Olaf 462; 3. Carleton 426; 4. Macalester 236; 5. St. Benedict 203; 6. St. Thomas 178; 7. Hamline 128; 8. Concordia 119; 9. St. Catherine 97; 10. St. Mary's 58; 11. Augsburg 43.

Team Scores – Men

1. Gustavus Adolphus 621.50; 2. St. Olaf 599.50; 3. St. John's 448; 4. Carleton 303; 5. Macalester 152; 6. St. Thomas 130; 7. St. Mary's 110; 8. Hamline 88

Thursday Evening Finals Recap

Minneapolis – Gustavus Adolphus College took the first-day lead in both the men's and women's team race at the 2004 MIAC Championships, contested at the University of Minnesota's Aquatics Center.

In the women's race, the Gusties lead defending champion St. Olaf College 241-220. Carleton College is third with 192 points, followed by the College of St. Benedict (109) and Macalester College (108). The men's race is tight, with the defending-champion Gusties leading St. Olaf by a mere three points, 256-253. St. John's University is third with 204 points, with Carleton College (126) in fourth and Macalester College (77) in fifth.

The Gustie men won both relays, including the 400-yard medley relay in a time of 3:25.68, breaking a 17-year old record held by St. Olaf. Gustavus also took individual titles in the 50 freestyle as Scott Hagemeyer won in 20.44, only .03 seconds off his MIAC Championships record morning time of 20.41, and in the 200 IM as Seth Weidmann was victorious over teammate and defending champion Will Sutor by .13 seconds. The Oles kept pace with two individual titles of their own, as rookie Joe Anderson took the 500-yard freestyle and diver Brad Wourms won the one-meter event.

On the women's side, both of the Gustie relays set new MIAC overall records. Their 200-yard freestyle relay broke their own record, reaching a NCAA "A" cut in 1:35.68. The 400-medley relay closed out the session with a time of 3:57.87. Gustie Beth DeLaRosby reached a NCAA A cut in the 50 freestyle in 23.31.

St. Olaf's women kept pace by winning two individual events and finishing runner-up in both relays. Anne Lindberg shaved more than seven seconds off her morning time to win the 500 freestyle as the Oles claimed three of the top five spots in the event. Katie Detwiler successfully defended her 200-yard individual medley title to claim the other win for the Oles.

Macalester senior Liz Fitzgerald was the fourth individual winner on the women's side, as she captured the three-meter diving event.

Action continues in the three-day event tomorrow, beginning with preliminary competition at 10:30 a.m.